



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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July 12, 2006

Ms. Sarah Brown, Treasurer  
Ohio Republican Party State  
Central & Executive Committee  
211 S. Fifth Street  
Columbus, OH 43215

**Response Due Date:**  
**August 11, 2006**

Identification Number: C00162339

Reference: May Monthly Report (4/1/06 – 4/30/06)

Dear Ms. Brown:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Schedule A supporting Line 17 of your report discloses one or more receipts totaling \$47,751.51 from the "State of Ohio". Please amend your report to clarify the nature of these receipts.

-You have made disbursements for "exempt volunteer activity-cookbooks" which you have characterized as exempt activities. In order for an activity to be classified as exempt, it must meet the following conditions: (1) For slate cards and sample ballots: it names at least three candidates running for election to any public office, it is not distributed through public political advertising (including broadcast media, newspapers, magazines, and billboards), the content is limited to the identification of each candidate, the office or position currently held, the office sought and party affiliation, and the costs allocable to federal candidates are paid with permissible funds; (2) For campaign materials: the activity is conducted on behalf of the party's nominees in the general election, the materials are distributed by volunteers--not through public political advertising, the party committee does not use materials purchased by the national party committee or money transferred from the national committee to purchase materials, the party committee does not use funds designated for a particular federal candidate, a payment from a non-federal campaign to help pay for the materials does

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